Remarks

Claims 7, 26-29 and 32-49 are pending in the subject application and currently before the Examiner. By this Amendment, Applicants have provided replacement figures 1-24 (consisting of 29 total pages). A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal and Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement have simultaneously been filed. Entry and consideration of the replacement figures presented herein is respectfully requested. Favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

It should be understood that the amendments presented herein have been made <u>solely</u> to expedite prosecution of the subject application to completion and should not be construed as an indication of Applicants' agreement with or acquiescence in the Examiner's position. Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue the invention(s) disclosed in the subject application, including any subject matter canceled or not pursued during prosecution of the subject application, in a related application.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants believe that the currently pending claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §§1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

Applicants invite the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

Respectfully submitted,

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